

# **THE RISING SUN NEWSLETTER**

## **SWAMP EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

275 SWAMP CHURCH ROAD , REINHOLDS, PA 17569

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Eucharist Service 8:00 a.m. Worship service 9:00 a.m. Sunday Church School 10:30 a.m.

## **J U L Y - A U G U S T 2 0 1 1**

Swamp Evangelical Lutheran Church is a member of CALM 5 (Cocalico Area Lutheran Ministry). CALM is a cooperative ministry with Faith United Lutheran Church, Denver; PA; Mellinger's Lutheran Church, Schoeneck, PA; Muddy Creek Lutheran Church, Denver, PA & St. Paul Lutheran Church, Adamstown, PA

### Staff:

#### Ministers

Congregation

#### Pastor

The Rev. Dennis L. Trout

#### Adm. Asst/Sec

Judith L. Sauder

#### Organist/Choir Director

Dr. Darryl E. Dech

#### Sexton

Matthew Lewandowski

#### Officers of Council

Lori Gockley, President

Sue Ellen Knauer, V. P.

Abbey Showalter, Secretary

Steve Young, Financial Sec.

Deb Sweigert: Treasurer

Laurie Sauder: Asst. Treas.

#### Congregation Council

Glenn Beard

Lori Hagy

Randy Krater

David Kupp

Michael Mixell

David Sauder

Guy Templin

Ray Weitzel

Michael Witmer

For those of you who saw the Health Watch show on Channel 11, Saturday June 11th, you saw Dr. Vince interview Lori Gockley. Lori is the honorary chairperson of this year's Relay for Life.

Lori is and always has been an understated "mover" in our community. She is a very unassuming individual yet extremely efficient in whatever she does.


We know her best around here as Council President and have been grateful for her leadership as we rebuild after the fire. She has functioned very effectively as an EMT for the ambulance association in Ephrata and other volunteer organizations.

We hold her up now because she is a survivor of cancer, and responder, this time for our whole community, demonstrating the need for us all to be involved in the fight against cancer.

Her bout with cancer was extremely traumatic yet she has bounced back with vigor and grit to fight for everyone who is touched by this disease.

Lori, we don't normally use this column to spotlight individuals, but your cause touches all of us.

Thanks,



God Bless,

Pastor Trout



JULY

JULIA CRILLS 7/1  
85 SWAMP BRIDGE ROAD  
DENVER, PA 17517

CLARICE HAWS 7/8  
100 BLUE LAKE ROAD  
REINHOLDS, PA 17569

JOAN REDDIG 7/10  
945 HOPELAND ROAD  
LITITZ, PA 17543

ANNA HERSHEY 7/15  
46 STONY RUN VILLAGE  
DENVER, PA 17517

MARION BERGMAN 7/26  
17 RAY DRIVE  
DENVER, PA 17517

JOHN DILLON 7/27  
COUNTRY MEADOWS, RM 266  
1802 TULPEHOCKEN ROAD  
READING, PA 19610

GLADYS ECKENROAD 7/29  
113 E. MAIN STREET  
REINHOLDS, PA 17569

ANNA MAE MOYER 7/30  
300 SWAMP CHURCH ROAD  
REINHOLDS, PA 17569



Pastor Trout and everyone who sent a card and said a prayer while I am recuperating from my lung surgery.

It has helped keep my spirits up. I still have some recovering to get through and so, to each and all of you—Thanks very, very much!

Susan Dolla



AUGUST:

LORRAINE CROWTHER 8/3  
45 ARROWHEAD DRIVE  
EPHRATA, PA 17522-1400

MATTHEW LEWANDOWSKI 8/7  
P. O. BOX 815  
BOWMANVILLE ROAD  
ADAMSTOWN, PA 19501

BEATRICE GRESS 8/16  
155 S. BLAINSPORT ROAD  
REINHOLDS, PA 17569

EMORY GRESS 8/19  
165 S. BLAINSPORT ROAD  
REINHOLDS, PA 17569

DOTTIE GOOD 8/20  
P. O. BOX 101  
BOWMANVILLE, PA 17507

IRENE MYERS 8/20  
1845 FURNACE HILL ROAD  
DENVER, PA 17517

CHARLES LESHER 8/24  
DENVER NURSING HOME  
ASSISTED LIVING, RM 101  
400 LANCASTER AVENUE  
STEVENS, PA 17578

ALVERTA SHOWALTER 8/26  
80 SWAMP BRIDGE ROAD  
DENVER, PA 17517



I would like to thank my friends at Swamp Lutheran Church for the flowers that I received in the hospital. I am relatively new to the area, and very much in need of friends and the flowers showed me that I was prayed for. Thank you.

Barbara Mizdail

Friends at Swamp  
Thank you very much for the thoughtful card and the Dairy Queen gift card. Yum!

Melissa Wenzel Miller

**Requests from the Office:**

**Please call the church at 336-2849 if:**

\*You are in the hospital or prior to going to the hospital (or have a relative call for you).

\*You are going to a rehab center or a nursing home;

\*You are confined to your home for an extended period of time because of illness or accident;

\*There is a change in your family status (birth, death, marriage or divorce);

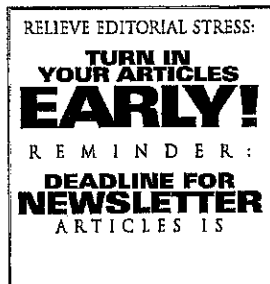
\*You move to a new home, move out of the area, or go away to college or graduate school.

Please inform the church office if your mailing address and/or telephone number have been changed or you have moved to a new address. The church is charged a fee of \$.75 for each piece of mail that is returned.

**\*\*\* As you schedule a meeting or an event of a group, committee or task force of Swamp, please inform the Church Office. In an effort to be open and communicative with everyone we would like to include all scheduling on the Church Calendar and in the Weekly Bulletin. Changes to the routinely scheduled meeting should also be shared with the Church Office.**

**We want everyone who checks out our bulletin or newsletter to see our activities.**

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**AUGUST 15, 2011**

**FOR**

**SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER**

**Special Date**

- Independence Day, July 4, 2011



Zach Donmoyer – Cocalico High School  
Taylor Higgins – Conestoga Valley High School

Brandon Hilton – Cocalico High School  
Thomas Jefferson – Ephrata High School  
Lindsey Sauder – Cocalico High School  
Nathan Shugarts – Cocalico High School  
Alexis Templin – Wilson High School  
Mark Ulrich – Cocalico High School



Maggie Krater – Penn State  
Matt Showalter – Stevens Trade  
Melissa Wenzel Miller – Master's Park's University, Missouri



**Pentecost – Sunday, June 12**

**Cody Leisey**

**Rachel E. Young**

## **SSYP News**

During May, the youth attended a Laser Quest activity and began planning their summer events. Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup> we will be having a carwash at Advanced Auto in Ephrata as a fundraiser for the 2012 Youth Gathering. Advanced Auto is located along Rt 322 right down the road from Wal-mart. Our service project for June will be our participation in the Relay for Life event held at Cocalico High School.

Congratulations to all our graduating seniors, both High School and College. Also, congratulations to Kristin Gockley for passing her Mod 4 Indoor Firefighting Test.

### **Spotlight on Alexis Templin**

Alexis Templin is the daughter of Guy and Sue Templin and is a senior at Wilson High School. During her years at Wilson, Alexis participated in concert band, school chorus, and the indoor drumline. She was a member of the National Honor Society and a lettered in water polo all four years. She received the Indoor Drumline Scholarship this year.

She is an active member of our church choir and youth group. And she is very active in her Girl Scout troop as well.

Her hobbies include drumline, reading, music (playing and listening) and ice hockey.

She was recruited by Utica College in New York to play water polo. She plans on majoring in Biology/Pre-Vet there.

### **Spotlight on Lindsey Sauder**

Lindsey Sauder is the daughter of David and Sue Sauder. She is a senior at Cocalico High School where she is an active member of the yearbook staff.

Lindsey enjoys all sorts of outdoor activities like dirt biking, four-wheeling, fishing, hunting, hiking, skiing, bike riding, camping and walking her dog Chance. She also enjoys all kinds of writing and learning how to play the guitar.

In addition to the activities she enjoys, her favorite thing to do is spend quality time with her family, boyfriend and friends. Her faith in God is the most important thing to her and she truly feels that He has led her through the good times and the bad.

After high school she will be attending Shippensburg University majoring in Psychology.



# Love INC Homes of Hope

*With Homes in*  
Cocalico . . . Columbia . . . Elizabethtown  
Ephrata . . . Leola . . . Manheim . . . Penn Manor

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May 4, 2011

Swamp Evangelical Lutheran Church  
275 Swamp Church Rd.  
Reinholds PA 17569

Dear Friends in Christ,

Thank you very much for your generous support of Cocalico Homes of Hope Transitional Housing. Your gift will help to transform lives and bless those in need as we provide them with a place to live and connect them to the Church, so that their hope is renewed.

Thank you, too, for your commitment to and prayers for this ministry. It is a privilege to serve on your behalf.

In His Service,

Kim Y. Wittel  
Executive Director

Donation Amount: \$ 140.00

Date of Donation: May 4, 2011

*Love in the Name of Christ is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, Federal Tax ID# 23-2702937. No goods or services were received in consideration of this gift.*

*Mobilizing the Church to offer hope to homeless families by providing transitional housing and supportive services!*

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## HOMES OF HOPE UPDATE

**Our Home of Hope's 2nd family moved out of our transitional housing in mid-May. They have made a successful transition to their new apartment.**

**Our mother is still in need of fulltime employment. Progress was made by our mentors, Jane McCullough and Pat Hall, as for the past year, they daily and weekly, were by the families side to assist and guide in forming new healthy ideas and responsibilities. The mentors, are to be thanked and prayed for!!**

**Love, Inc. is now in the process of interviewing for our next family. One family is now being considered. We will keep all posted as to the timing and placement of our next family. If you know of a family who could benefit from being in this program, please do not hesitate to call me or anyone on our committee.**

**We do have a large surplus of furniture. Thank you to all who have contributed this past year. Please keep our families in YOUR PRAYERS, that God may bring to us the next family to help!**

**"All will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."  
John 13:35**

**Our first two families may not have had the "perfect" life. Their burdens may not have been our burdens. Their sorrows may not have been our sorrows. But, because Our Heavenly Father asks us to help those in need, we are blessed because WE CAN HELP.**

**Peace be with you,  
Cindy Golden**

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

## JULY - AUGUST

### Bread and Wine Donor:

July Matt & Audrey Lewandoski,  
Ray & Joan Long  
August Fred & Noretta Burke

### Altar Guild:

July Judy Habecker, Kaye Shugarts  
August Sue Kittler, Nancy Kulp  
September Anna Sweigart, Corinne Sweigert

### Communion Assistants:

July 3  
8:00 AM Judy Habecker, Kathleen Fink  
9:00 AM Debbie Carvell, Connie Taylor,  
Jan Risser, Bonnie Oplinger

July 10  
8:00 AM Missy Regan, Bonnie Oplinger  
9:00 AM Guy Templin, Deb Sweigert,  
Michael Wargo, B. Wargo

July 17  
8:00 AM Janice Moyer, David Borrell  
9:00 AM Sue Kreitz, Debbie Carvell,  
Guy Templin, Jane Leshner

July 24  
8:00 AM Bonnie Oplinger, John Frantz  
9:00 AM Connie Taylor, Anita Kupp,  
Leslie Diestel, Greg Diestel

August 1  
8:00 AM Judy Habecker, Linda Ream  
9:00 AM Connie Taylor, Don Risser, Jan  
Risser, Alex Kupp

August 8  
8:00 AM Jane Leshner, Bonnie Oplinger  
9:00 AM Guy Templin, Nate Shugarts,  
Connie Malafarina, D. Carvell

August 15  
8:00 AM Bonnie Oplinger, John Frantz  
9:00 AM Guy Templin, Sue Kreitz, Deb  
Sweigert, Bernadette Wargo

August 22  
8:00 AM Kathleen Fink, David Borrell  
9:00 AM Connie Taylor, Guy Templin,  
Michael Wargo, D. Carvell

August 29  
8:00 AM Guy Templin, Linda Ream  
9:00 AM Don Risser, Jan Risser, Connie  
Taylor, Sue Kreitz

September 4  
8:00 AM Bonnie Oplinger, Missy Regan  
9:00 AM Anita Kupp, Alex Kupp,  
Guy Templin, Leslie Diestel

### Crucifer:

July 3  
8:00 AM Chris Zander  
9:00 AM Deb Sweigert

July 10  
8:00 AM Chris Zander  
9:00 AM Nate Shugarts

July 17  
8:00 AM Guy Templin  
9:00 AM Michael Wargo

July 24  
8:00 AM Connie Taylor  
9:00 AM Anita Kupp

August 1  
8:00 AM Guy Templin  
9:00 AM Connie Malafarina

August 8  
8:00 AM Chris Zander  
9:00 AM Nate Shugarts

August 15  
8:00 AM Guy Templin  
9:00 AM Michael Wargo

August 22  
8:00 AM Connie Taylor  
9:00 AM Greg Diestel

August 29  
8:00 AM Chris Zander  
9:00 AM Connie Malafarina

September 4  
8:00 AM Connie Taylor  
9:00 AM Anita Kupp

### Greeters:

June 26 Lori Gockley  
July 3 Mike Witmer, Lori Hagy  
July 10 Sue Knauer, Ray Weitzel  
July 17 Randy Krater, Guy Templin  
July 24 David Kupp, Lori Hagy  
July 31 Glenn Beard, Michael Mixell  
Aug. 7 Lori Gockley, Michael Witmer  
Aug. 14 Abbey Showalter, Ray Weitze  
Aug. 21 Sue Knauer, Guy Templin  
Aug. 28 Randy krater, Abbey Showalter  
Sept. 4 David Sauder, David Kupp  
Sept. 11 Glenn beard, Lori Gockley

**Acolytes:**

June 26  
8:00 AM Kylee Kidwell, Taylor Kidwell  
9:00 AM Jake Diestel, Brett Kupp

July 3  
8:00 AM Rachel Young, Danielle Witmer  
9:00 AM Alexis Templin, Kristen Gockley

July 10  
8:00 AM Dakota Moyer, Jonathan Templin  
9:00 AM Dana Shugarts, Noah Roseboro

July 17  
8:00 AM Kylee Kidwell, Taylor Kidwell  
9:00 AM Gillian Diestel, Katie Krater

July 24  
8:00 AM Rachel Young, Samantha Young  
9:00 AM Megan DeBock, S. Donmoyer

August 1  
8:00 AM Dakota Moyer, Jonathan Templin  
9:00 AM Tyler Keppley, Alex Kupp

August 8  
8:00 AM Alex Kupp, Brett Kupp  
9:00 AM Dana Shugarts, Matt DeBock

August 15  
8:00 AM Allison Witmer, Danielle Witmer  
9:00 AM Taylor Weaver, Katie Krater

August 22  
8:00 AM Rachel Young, Samantha Young  
9:00 AM Brett Kupp, Nick Higgins

August 29  
8:00 AM Jonathan Templin, Kylee Kidwell  
9:00 AM Hunter Leisey, Cody Leisey

September 4  
8:00 AM Taylor Kidwell, Kylee Kidwell  
9:00 AM Jonathan Templin, Matt DeBock

**Money for Bread and Wine should be given to Guy Templin**

**Lector:**

June 26 Jenny Weitzel  
July 3 Connie Malafarina  
July 10 Jim Beard  
July 17 Linda Mohn  
July 24 Jake Diestel  
August 1 Sue Kittler  
August 8 Noretta Burke  
August 15 Jim Beard  
August 22 Emily Wagner  
August 29 Greg Diestel  
September 4 Lowell Haws

**Flower Delivery:**

July 3 & 10 Lori Gockley, Jennifer Weitzel  
July 17 & 24 Janice Moyer  
July 31 & Aug. 7 Sally Hagy  
Aug. 14 & 21 Jim & Kathy Hickernell  
Aug. 28 & Sept. 4 Vernon & Edith Showalter  
Sept. 11 & 18 Ralph & Dottie Good

**Hunger Appeal:**

July Alexis Templin, Jonathan Templin, Eric Showalter, Tyler Keppley  
August Matt DeBock, Megan DeBock, Samantha Donmoyer, Taylor Weaver

**Altar Guild Members Needed:**

**Duties: filling wine glasses on Saturday; washing wine glasses, helping to clean up between and after Sunday Worship Services. We need your help! Please call Connie: 336-3716.**

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## Spiritual insomnia

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Studies show that most Americans don't get adequate sleep. Whether an overcrowded schedule or insomnia is to blame, the short- and long-term effects are alarming. It's tough to maintain a healthy mind and body when you're sleep-deprived.

Likewise, we require sufficient, regular quiet time with God to stay spiritually healthy. Even Jesus needed time alone with God. Luke 5:16 says Jesus withdrew to deserted places to pray. Think how much more we need to listen for God's voice and learn from his Word!





Earl & Marion Bashore  
 Dolores Binner  
 Dorothy DeLong  
 John Dillon  
 Ray Hershey  
 Edwin Kramer  
 Russell Kurtz  
 Charles & Caroline Leshar  
 Dale Reinecker  
 Alice Schannauer  
 Lela Trout  
 Walter Weinhold  
 Charles Weitzel  
 Mary Anne Weitzel  
 Minnie Wenger  
 Dolores Becker  
 Elmer Kopp  
 Anna Mae Moyer  
 Clair & Ann Sweigart

Norman Shirk  
 Sam Leed  
 Alex VanZant  
 Eugene Moyer  
 Gilbert Ochs – Brother of Edie Showalter  
 Linda Martzall  
 Deb Sorber – Friend of Jennifer Smith  
 KC Ferdine - Granddaughter of Kathleen Fink  
 Tatum Shanahan – 5 yr. old diagnosed with cancer  
 Robert Reaser – Father of Katie Koehle  
 Harold High – Friend of Sue Kittler  
 Don & Marlene Ernst  
 Gene Sides – Friend of Lorraine Crowther  
 Henry Eberhart – Father of Terri Weitzel  
 Ronald DeBock  
 Joyce Mumma  
 Ann Maree  
 Fred Cook  
 Dr. Dianne Coralloo – Friend of Bonnie Troutx  
 Tony Ciro – Friend of Bonnie Trout  
 Michael Hinck – Son of Kathleen Fink  
 Clair and Ann Sweigart  
 Mary Clark—Friend of Sally Hagy



Congratulations to Virginia Rae Deck and Kerry Michael Bemesterfer upon their marriage May 14, 2011 at Stout's, Adamstown.

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### Make haste

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“Life is short, and we have never too much time for glad-  
 dening the hearts of those who are traveling the ... journey  
 with us. O be swift to love, make haste to be kind!”  
 —Henri Frederic Amiel

*Please let us know when we can remove people from the sick and shut-in list. We do not always get an up-date on their condition)*

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### Independence overrated

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It might have been humorous, if it hadn't hurt so much. One moment I was on my front porch. The next I was lying flat on my side, wedged between a bush and the house. In a split second, my 13-pound puppy had taken off after a bird, yanking me off my feet.

All it took was one ill-timed moment of distraction to transform me from a strong, reasonably healthy adult to a helpless, badly bruised victim of misfortune. Unable to move, I was pondering my dilemma when a strong hand reached down. My neighbor had rushed to my aid. Embarrassed but grateful, I accepted his help.

I'm not as independent or self-sufficient as I'd like to think I am. We were created to need and be needed. That isn't a bad thing.

—Kari Myers (adapted from *HomeTouch*)

## APRIL TREASURERS REPORT

	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>INCOME</u>		
ENVELOPE FUND AND SIMPLY GIVING	\$ 19,124.00	\$ 74,648.00
LOOSE OFFERING	\$ 1,617.37	\$ 6,207.24
CHURCH SCHOOL	\$ 73.76	\$ 310.95
<b>TOTAL INCOME TOWARD BUDGET</b>	<b>\$ 20,815.13</b>	<b>\$ 81,166.19</b>
DISASTER RESPONSE	\$ 538.13	\$ 2,177.69
FLOWERS AND BULLETINS	\$ 68.75	\$ 837.75
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	\$ 713.75	\$ 3,053.26
MEMORIALS		\$ 90.00
MATCHING FUNDS & RETURNS		\$ -
DINNERS		\$ -
NONCASH CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 236.47	\$ 236.47
FIRE DONATIONS	\$ 126.00	\$ 294.00
CAPITAL FUND DRIVE	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 3,450.00
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	\$ 1,172.26	\$ 1,568.37
<b>INCOME TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 25,020.49</b>	<b>\$ 92,873.73</b>
<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>		
BENOVELENCE	\$ 2,083.33	\$ 8,333.32
SAMARITAN COUNCILING CENTER		\$ 1,000.00
LUTHERCARE		\$ -
OTHER BENOVELENCES		\$ 100.00
LEARNING		\$ 524.66
WELCOME		\$ -
STEWARDSHIP		\$ -
SERVICE		\$ -
WORSHIP	\$ 242.73	\$ 1,663.51
PROPERTY	\$ 387.68	\$ 487.68
YOUTH MINISTRY		\$ -
STAFF EXPENSES	\$ 8,907.98	\$ 36,969.07
STAFF BENEFITS	\$ 3,896.88	\$ 15,629.86
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	\$ 1,291.53	\$ 6,106.06
OPERATIONS OF PROPERTY	\$ 1,756.01	\$ 6,939.20
<b>TOTAL BUDGETED ITEMS</b>	<b>\$ 18,566.14</b>	<b>\$ 77,753.36</b>
<u>UNBUDGETED DISBURSEMENTS</u>		
BENEVOLENCE - ACTION FUND		\$ 450.00
DISASTER RESPONSE		\$ 2,260.56
MISCELLANEOUS NONBUDGETED	\$ 551.09	\$ 1,349.09
MATCHING FUND PAYMENTS		\$ -
FLOWERS, BULLETINS, REIMBURSED EXPENSES	\$ 401.47	\$ 1,439.97
RESTORATION		\$ -
PAID MEMORIALS		\$ 5,000.00
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>\$ 19,518.70</b>	<b>\$ 88,252.98</b>
ACCOUNT BALANCE MARCH 2011	\$ 16,380.46	
TOTAL RECEIPTS APRIL 2011	\$ 25,020.49	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS APRIL 2011	\$ (19,518.70)	
<b>ACCOUNT BALANCE APRIL 30, 2011</b>	<b>\$ 21,882.25</b>	
This amount includes the following:		
Bible Study Group Money	\$ 78.00	
Personal Choir \$15.40 & Bell Choir Money \$54.87	\$ 70.27	
Memorials	\$ 73,424.80	
<b>*TOTAL INCLUDED IN CHECKING</b>	<b>\$ 73,573.07</b>	

# MAY TREASURERS REPORT

	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>INCOME</u>		
ENVELOPE FUND AND SIMPLY GIVING	\$ 18,584.00	\$ 93,232.00
LOOSE OFFERING	\$ 1,465.15	\$ 7,672.39
CHURCH SCHOOL	\$ 56.50	\$ 367.45
<b>TOTAL INCOME TOWARD BUDGET</b>	<b>\$ 20,105.65</b>	<b>\$ 101,271.84</b>
DISASTER RESPONSE	\$ 805.52	\$ 2,983.21
FLOWERS AND BULLETINS	\$ 422.50	\$ 1,260.25
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	\$ 220.00	\$ 3,273.26
MEMORIALS		\$ 90.00
MATCHING FUNDS & RETURNS		\$ -
DINNERS		\$ -
NONCASH CONTRIBUTIONS		\$ 236.47
FIRE DONATIONS	\$ 28.00	\$ 322.00
CAPITAL FUND DRIVE	\$ 22,540.00	\$ 25,990.00
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	\$ 264.06	\$ 1,832.43
<b>INCOME TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 44,385.73</b>	<b>\$ 137,259.46</b>
<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>		
BENOVELENCE	\$ 2,083.33	\$ 10,416.65
SAMARITAN COUNCILING CENTER		\$ 1,000.00
LUTHERCARE		\$ -
OTHER BENOVELENCES		\$ 100.00
LEARNING	\$ 2,936.06	\$ 3,460.72
WELCOME		\$ -
STEWARDSHIP		\$ -
SERVICE		\$ -
WORSHIP	\$ 347.89	\$ 2,011.40
PROPERTY	\$ 814.10	\$ 1,301.78
YOUTH MINISTRY		\$ -
STAFF EXPENSES	\$ 10,359.48	\$ 47,328.55
STAFF BENEFITS	\$ 3,530.78	\$ 19,160.64
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	\$ 960.03	\$ 7,066.09
OPERATIONS OF PROPERTY	\$ 552.04	\$ 7,491.24
<b>TOTAL BUDGETED ITEMS</b>	<b>\$ 21,583.71</b>	<b>\$ 99,337.07</b>
<u>UNBUDGETED DISBURSEMENTS</u>		
BENEVOLENCE - ACTION FUND	\$ 160.00	\$ 610.00
DISASTER RESPONSE	\$ 805.52	\$ 3,066.08
MISCELLANEOUS NONBUDGETED	\$ 80.00	\$ 1,429.09
MATCHING FUND PAYMENTS		\$ -
FLOWERS, BULLETINS, REIMBURSED EXPENSES	\$ 429.70	\$ 1,869.67
RESTORATION		\$ -
PAID MEMORIALS		\$ 5,000.00
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>\$ 23,058.93</b>	<b>\$ 111,311.91</b>
ACCOUNT BALANCE APRIL 2011	21882.25	
TOTAL RECEIPTS MAY 2011	\$ 44,385.73	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS MAY 2011	\$ (23,058.93)	
<b>ACCOUNT BALANCE MAY 31, 2011</b>	<b>\$ 43,209.05</b>	
This amount includes the following:		
Bible Study Group Money	\$ 78.00	
Personal Choir \$15.40 & Bell Choir Money \$54.87	\$ 70.27	
Memorials	\$ 73,424.80	
<b>*TOTAL INCLUDED IN CHECKING</b>	<b>\$ 73,573.07</b>	

## GOOD VISION IN A DOWNPOUR

How to achieve good vision while driving during a heavy downpour.

We are not sure why it is so effective; just try this method when it rains heavily. This method was told by a Police friend who had experienced and confirmed it. It is useful.... even driving at night.

Most of the motorists would turn on HIGH or FASTEST SPEED of the wipers during heavy downpour, yet the visibility in front of the windshield is still bad.....

In the event you face such a situation, just try your SUN GLASSES (any model will do), and miracle! All of a sudden, your visibility in front of your windshield is perfectly clear, as if there is no rain.

Make sure you always have a pair of SUN GLASSES in your car, as you are not only helping yourself to drive safely with good vision, but also might save your friend's life by giving him this idea..

Try it yourself and share it with your friends!

Amazing, you still see the drops on the windshield, but not the sheet of rain falling.

You can see where the rain bounces off the road. It works to eliminate the "blindness" from passing semi's spraying you too.

Or the "kickup" if you are following a semi or car in the rain. They ought to teach that little tip in driver's training. It really does work..

This warning is a good one! I wonder how many people know about this~

A 36 year old female had an accident several weeks ago and totaled her car. A resident of Kilgore , Texas she was traveling between Gladewater & Kilgore. It was raining, though not excessively, when her car suddenly began to hydro-plane and literally flew through the air. She was not seriously injured but very stunned at the sudden occurrence!

When she explained to the highway patrolman what had happened he told her something that every driver should know - NEVER DRIVE IN THE RAIN WITH YOUR CRUISE CONTROL ON . She thought she was being cautious by setting the cruise control and maintaining a safe

consistent speed in the rain. But the highway patrolman told her that if the cruise control is on when your car begins to hydro-plane and your tires lose contact with the pavement, your car will accelerate to a higher rate of speed making you take off like an airplane. She told the patrolman that was exactly what had occurred.

The patrolman said this warning should be listed, on the driver's seat sun-visor - NEVER USE THE CRUISE CONTROL WHEN THE PAVEMENT IS WET OR ICY, along with the airbag warning. We tell our teenagers to set the cruise control and drive a safe speed - but we don't tell them to use the cruise control only when the pavement is dry.

The only person the accident victim found, who knew this (besides the patrolman), was a man who had a similar accident, totaled his car and sustained severe injuries.

NOTE: Some vehicles (like the Toyota Sienna Limited XLE) will not allow you to set the cruise control when the windshield wipers are on. If you send this to 15 people and only one of them doesn't know about this, then it was all worth it.. You might have saved a life.

## COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

19 JUNE 2011

Council met Wednesday, June 15, 2011. Highlights include:

**Service Committee** reported they are working with the local churches and the Cocalico School District on a program to feed kids 3 days each week during the summer. Each church will be responsible for 1 week during the summer. Details will follow.

**Property Committee** reported that all bare areas around the church will be seeded and landscaping will be done after the building is completed.

**Welcome Committee** reported that they mailed out 44 cards this month. A reminder to sign up for the bus trip to St. Michaels if you are interested. The committee is trying to arrange transportation to church for Betty Hornberger and Josie Reitz. They live on the East end of Ephrata. If you are able to help, contact Jen Weitzel.

**Worship Committee** reported that the Ascension Day service went well. The 50+ member choir sounded awesome!

**Youth Ministry** reported the youth are participating in the Relay for Life. They raised over \$4000. July 9 they will be going to Knoebel's.

**The Dedication** for the new building will be held September 25, 2011. We will have one service at 10:00 with the dedication and luncheon following. Please keep this date open so you are able to share the day with us. Service, Welcome and Worship committees will be working on this event.

**Financial Info Update** Pledges total \$31,887.00 and mission notes total \$20,000—Total building fund drive--\$51, 887.00.

### **Building Update**

The electric is hooked up

The roof is complete...trim work needs to be finished

The tile work in the bathrooms is just about complete

The counter tops in the bathrooms are installed

The doors between the church and the new addition are installed. This is still not an exit.

Wall cabinets are installed in the kitchen

Ceiling grids are installed in several of the rooms

Framing supports for the wooden clouds in the social hall are installed

The wall close to the portico is being started

About half of the painting is complete

The brick work is complete

A/C units may be functioning this week

The addition will be locked up shortly

Again, if you have any questions, see Bob Christy, Tom Showalter or Lori Gockley.

**Financial Information**

**15 June 2011**

<b>GMP</b>	<b>\$ 1,284,000</b>	
<b>Less paid</b>	<b><u>911,015</u></b>	<b>70.95%</b>
<b>Left to Pay</b>	<b>\$ 372,985</b>	<b>29.05%</b>

**Change Orders (to date)** **\$ 64,545**

**Change Orders billed (thru Invoice #7)** **\$ 30,146**

**Completion Date July 22, 2011**



## July - August

### OCEAN MUSIC

Ah! July and August, Ocean City, NJ, here I come! To the beach and ocean I go to sit, listen, read, think and write. "The ocean is a mighty harmonist," writes poet William Wordsworth. I listen for sounds that may be familiar. I listen for harmony. I hear basic tones, elemental sounds, overtones and harmony. And then I hear something else. It's the same thing writer Annie Dillard talks about when she says, "The sea pronounces something, over and over, in a hoarse whisper. I cannot quite make it out." Every summer I give it another try. At night on the beach, I listen carefully for what the sea "pronounces" over and over.

One thought I catch is the comfort of ocean sound. As Wordsworth writes, even the ocean produces its own harmonies, harmonies we have yet to comprehend. And yet, I find the music of the ocean soothing, healing and imaginative. It's almost as if my soul hears the sound of creation. The Psalmist sings, "Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad, let the sea roar, and the fullness thereof" (Psalm 96:11, KJV).

I want to keep the music I hear at the ocean just as much as Perry Como wants to catch a falling star and keep it in his pocket. I want to keep the music of the ocean in my pocket and save it for a rainy day. I want to hear that sound from Sky, with Earth joining in, and a huge round of applause from Sea (Ps. 96:11, *The Message*). It's a proactive, affirming sound of God's beautiful creation. The ocean applauds the music of creation and the joy of relationships.

The ocean calls us to sing and praise. When sitting on the beach, I can hardly keep from singing. In a song Emily Wagner will sing on July 10<sup>th</sup>, the text reminds us that "Your city's built to music; we are the stones you seek; your harmony is language; we are the words you speak" (ELW 710, stanza 2). All of creation rejoices in that "hoarse whisper" the ocean speaks to us every summer.

God calls us to sing. Every Sunday, God invites us to sing a song of thanksgiving. If the deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine, "We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing; with glad adoration a song let us raise...hosanna and praise!" (ELW 881). If you're at the beach this summer, bring some of that ocean music home. Put it in your pocket and get it out every Sunday morning!

Dr. Darryl E. Dech, Director of Music



**JULY 2011**

Compliments of your Thrivent Financial representative

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Green) 8 & 9 am Eucharist Worship Service	Independence Day Office Closed					
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Green) 8 & 9 am Eucharist Worship Service						Showalter/Stopper Wedding/ 2 pm
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Green) 8 & 9 am Eucharist Worship service		Cactus Willies (Lunch or Dinner)				
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Green) 8 & 9 am Eucharist Worship Service	St. James the Elder, Apostle (Red)					
31						
7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Green) 8 & 9 am Eucharist Worship Service Vacation Bible School – Mellingers, Schoeneck						

**AUGUST 2011**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Service Mtg. 7 pm Welcome Mtg. 7 pm	3	4	5	6
7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost (Green) 8 & 9 a.m. Eucharist Service	8	9	10	11 Women's Bible Study 7:30 p.m.	12	13 Bus Trip to St. Michael's
14 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Green) 8 & 9 a.m. Eucharist Service	15 Mary, Mother of Our Lord	16 Cactus Willies (Lunch or Dinner)	17 Council Mtg. 7 p.m.	18	19	20
21 <sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Green) 8 & 9 a.m. Eucharist Worship Service Guest: Bonnie Oplinger	22	23	24 St. Bartholomew, Apostle (Red)	25 Women's Bible Study 7:30 p.m.	26	27
28 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Green) 8 & 9 a.m. Eucharist Worship Service Guest: Rev. Glenn Beard	29	30	31			

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## ACTIVITIES PAGE

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### PATRIOTIC PARFAIT

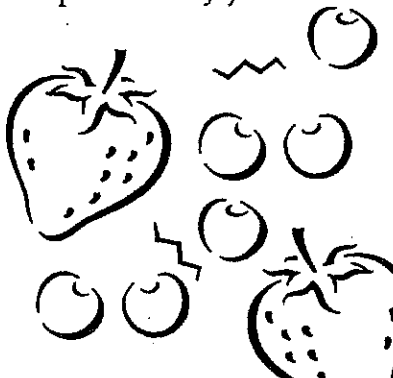
On the 4th of July, make this healthy, festive dessert to share with family and friends.

#### What you need:


- Clear glasses or plastic cups
- Spoons
- Vanilla yogurt
- Cut strawberries
- Fresh blueberries
- Coconut, whipped cream, red and blue sprinkles (optional)

#### What you do:

1. Place a couple of spoonfuls of vanilla yogurt at the bottom of each glass or cup.
2. Add cut strawberries to cover the yogurt layer.
3. Add more yogurt over the strawberries.
4. Add a layer of blueberries.
5. Repeat the layers until you reach the top of the glass or cup.
6. For extra fun, add coconut, whipped cream and sprinkles. Enjoy!



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## Freedom in Christ

*This Independence Day, remember that our true freedom comes from faith in Jesus.*

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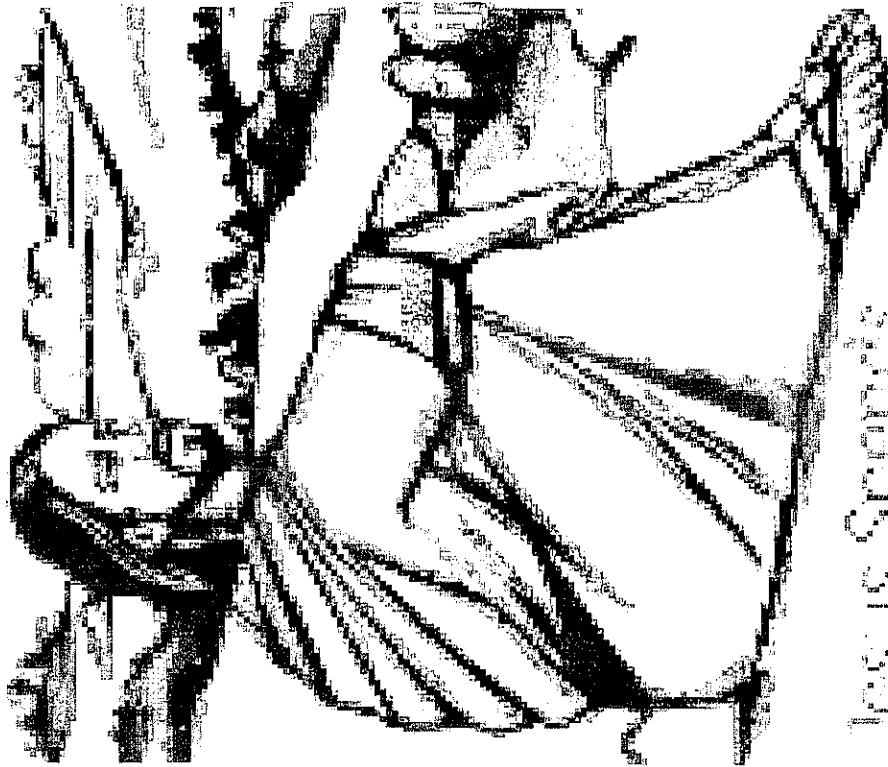
**Directions:** In each set of letters, determine the pattern. Then write the letter that completes the pattern, to reveal Galatians 5:1, NV.

**ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ**

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Answers: It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. (Galatians 5:1, NV)

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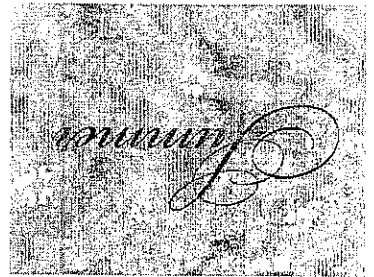
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